

SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO

Form 8-K

March 15, 2006

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 14, 2006

**The Sherwin-Williams Company**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Ohio**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-04851**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**34-0526850**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**101 Prospect Avenue, N.W.  
Cleveland, Ohio**

(Address of Principal  
Executive Offices)

**(216) 566-2000**

**44115**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On March 14, 2006, The Sherwin-Williams Company issued a press release updating its sales and earnings expectations for the first quarter of 2006. A copy of this press release is furnished with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished with this report:

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Exhibit Description</u>   |
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| 99                 | Press Release of The Sherwin-Williams Company, dated March 14, 2006. |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY**

March 15, 2006

By: /s/ L.E. Stellato  
L.E. Stellato  
Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

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